



**Governor's Youth Commission
Youth Leadership Day Planning Committee
Meeting Minutes**

November 15, 2007
4:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.
State Capitol
Commerce 6-B
1700 West Washington Street
Phoenix, Arizona 85007
Conference Call: (602) 542-9003

A Youth Leadership Day Planning Committee meeting of the Governor's Youth Commission (GYC) was convened on November 15, 2007 at the State Capitol, Commerce 6-B, 1700 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007. Notice having been duly given. Present and absent were the following members of the Governor's Youth Commission:

Members Present		
Andres Cano	Basil Latif	Vicki Peng
Andrew Conlogue	Natalie Lucas	Kimberly Roland
Hannah Hunter	Aaron McGuire	Nilo Thomas

Staff/Guests Present	Members Absent
Christopher Bodington	Ashley Applebee
Briana Kreibich	Hannah Hunter
Doreen Pollack	Reyna Kontos
Lisa Rolland	Alexis McKenzie
	Abigail Wells

A. Call to Order

Chair Andres Cano called the meeting to order at 4:03 P.M. with nine (9) members present, two (2) staff and two (2) guests.

B. Welcome and Introductions

Christopher Bodington welcomed the committee members and asked each member to introduce himself/herself.

C. Review of Agenda

Chair Andres Cano reviewed the agenda with the committee members.

D. Youth Leadership Day Theme

Christopher Bodington and Doreen Pollack, from Valley Teen Leadership, led a discussion on identifying a theme for Youth Leadership Day. While the previous event was held at the State Capitol and focused on meeting state legislators and learning about the government process, Christopher stated that it would be important to change the theme in order to encourage youth to continue to participate in the event.

Commissioners proposed several ideas, including focusing on the legislative process, youth leadership, taking charge, responsibility, discovering youth passion, helping others, staying motivated, and inspiring others by example. Commissioners also recommended that the event feature a local icon as a speaker, and that the theme be broad enough to encompass several topics that could be covered during workshop sessions.

Vicki Peng moved to set the Youth Leadership Day theme as finding youth passion and making a difference. Hannah Hunter seconded the motion. With no further discussion, the motion passed with nine (9) ayes, zero (0) nays and zero (0) abstentions. **(07.01.01)**

Christopher encouraged the commissioners to think of different slogans before the next Youth Leadership Day Planning Committee meeting.

E. Youth Leadership Day Site

Christopher Bodington discussed with the commissioners different places they could host Youth Leadership Day. He explained that the event could be held at the State Capitol; however it would be difficult to have workshop sessions because the proper facilities are not available. Christopher suggested holding the event offsite at a convention center, but he pointed out that it would be more difficult to convince Governor Napolitano and state legislators to attend.

The commissioners discussed the positive and negative aspects of each option.

Kimberly Roland moved to hold the event at the State Capitol. No second was given. A discussion followed.

Andrew Conlogue moved to hold the event offsite, but to encourage participants to make appointments with their legislators at the State Capitol following Youth Leadership Day. Hannah Hunter seconded the motion. With no further discussion, the motion passed with nine (9) ayes, zero (0) nays and zero (0) abstentions. **(07.01.02)**

F. Workshops

Doreen Pollack asked the commissioners to identify different workshops they would like to have. Topics included discovering what youth are passionate about, media, public speaking, grant writing, a facilitated dialogue, volunteerism, and how to advocate laws in communities.

G. Next Steps

Christopher Bodington notified the commissioners that he hoped to have a list of speakers ready by December or January, and that a venue would be finalized in the next few weeks. He hoped that at the next meeting the commissioners would be able to vote on a preliminary schedule, an event slogan, and have a finalized logo.

H. Call to Public

Chair Andres Cano made a call to public with no response.

I. Adjourn

Hannah Hunter moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:03 P.M. Kimberly Roland seconded the motion. With no further discussion, the motion passed with nine (9) ayes, zero (0) nays and zero (0) abstentions.
(07.01.03)

Dated the 21st Day of November 2007
Governor's Youth Commission
Respectfully submitted by:
Christopher Bodington
Youth Development Program Administrator